

PLEASE PRAY FOR...



Our Diocese, Northern Region and our local church community

The Archbishop: The Regional Bishop: Northern Region: Local churches: The Most Revd Dr Glenn Davies The Rt Revd Chris Edwards Parishes of Frenchs Forest, Freshwater and Manly St John's Uniting Church, Neutral Bay; clergy and people

Missions 2021

Anglicare Sydney: Mobile Community Pantry Program; Bill Farrand, Anglicare Community Services Manager

Bush Church Aid:

BCA Indigenous Ministry Officer, The Revd Neville Naden and Mrs Kathryn Naden

Anglican Board of Mission:

Sustainable Livelihoods Program, Kenya; The Revd John Deane, ABM Executive Director

Those we are holding in prayer

Recently Departed Jim Kemp, Ruth Burleigh

Those Requiring On-Going Prayer:

Alex Dimitric, John Dimitric, Irina Dimitric, Justin Reid, Heather, Bernie Walsh, Christine Hurford, Shannour, Chloe Turner, Denise Thomas, Eileen Menzies, Mary Douglas, Liam Gorman, Rosemary Walsh, Steve Walker

People in Residential and Home Care:

Dawn Holdaway, Richard Lloyd, Betty Gemmell, Mary Shuttleworth, Elaine Porter, Helen Huby, Dorothy Bashford, Pat Wood, Jean Barton, Robin Wilks, Denis Pearson

SAFETY IN MINISTRY

St Luke's is committed to the principles of Safety in Ministry of the Anglican Diocese of Sydney. Copies of our Child-Safe, Child-Friendly policy are available in the porch and on the parish website. If you have any queries, please contact Dr Jocelyn Chey, tel: 9967 5136 or the Rector, tel: 9969 6910.

Gathering of God's People

Please note: congregational singing and chanting is not permitted.

Please stand for the Procession.

Introit: Attende, Domine (Mozarabic Hymn)

Welcome

Greeting

■Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins, Whose mercy endures for ever. Amen.

The Lord be with you **And also with you**.

Lenten Candle Liturgy

Presider:	Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory. The Lord is a great God, O that today you would listen to his voice. Harden not your hearts.
All:	Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
Deacon:	Blessed are those who have endured temptation; they have stood the test and will receive the crown of life.
All:	Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
Presider:	I am the light of the world, says the Lord, whoever follows me will have the light of life.
All:	Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
Deacon: All:	Your word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

The next Lenten candle is now extinguished and a period of silence is observed. The following is then said:

All: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us. Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us. Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

Sentence

If you want to become a disciple of Jesus, deny yourself, take up your cross, and follow him. *[Mark 8.34]*

Prayer of Preparation

Let us pray.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

Kyries Setting: Christ Church Mass (Phillip Matthias) Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy; Lord have mercy. Christ, have mercy; Christ have mercy; Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Invitation to Confession and Absolution

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled and wandered far off.

Silence.

Let us then ask for mercy, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: Pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Collect

God of all times and places, in Jesus Christ, who was lifted up on the cross, you opened for us the path to eternal life: Grant that we, being born again of water and the Spirit, may joyfully serve you in newness of life and faithfully walk in your holy ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Ministry of the Word

David Burke

The First Reading A reading from the Book of Genesis

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you.

I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

[Genesis 17.1-7, 15-16]

For the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Psalm: Psalm 22: 24-32 (Chant: George J. Elvey)

O praise the Lord, all you that fear him: hold him in honour, O seed of Jacob, and let the seed of Israel stand in awe of him. For he has not despised nor abhorred the poor man in his miserv: nor did he hide his face from him. but heard him when he cried. From you springs my praise in the great congregation: *I will pay my yows in the sight of all that fear you:* The meek shall eat of the sacrifice and be satisfied and those who seek the Lord shall praise him may their hearts rejoice for ever! Let all the ends of the earth remember and turn to the Lord: and let all the families of the nations worship before him. For the kingdom is the Lord's: and he shall be ruler over the nations. *How can those who sleep in the earth do him homage:* or those that descended to the dust bow down before him? But he has saved my life for himself: and my posterity shall serve him. This shall be told of my Lord to a future generation: and his righteousness declared to a people yet born, that he has done it.

The Second Reading A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") - in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be."

He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness."

Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

[Romans 4.13-25]

For the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Please stand.

The Gospel Reading

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of Endless Glory. Jesus says: "Take up your cross and follow me; that you may rejoice with the holy angels when I come again in glory." Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Mark, Chapter 8, beginning at the 31st verse.

≇Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then Jesus began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

[Mark 8.31-38]

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The Creed

Please stand.

Let us stand and join together in the words of the Nicene Creed.

We believe in one God. the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth. of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ. the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father: through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven. was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead. and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the Community

Please be seated.

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Let us pray for the world and for the church.

Response after each segment of prayers

Lord in your mercy: Hear our prayer

After the last petition

Hear us, Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Greeting of Peace

Please stand.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

Please do not physically exchange the peace

The Presider continues

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. **Blessed be God for ever.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Presider continues

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God. We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us.

He was tempted in every way as we are, yet he did not sin. By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to walk in the way of his love.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. **☎**Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith: All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

All: Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread and the Communion

The Presider breaks the bread and says

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ: we who are many are one body for we all share in the one bread.

The Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

The Presider says

The Gifts of God for the people of God. Come, let us take this holy sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving. **Amen.**

Communion will now be administered to the congregation at the chancel steps. <u>Please wait to be invited</u> to move forward along the centre aisle and then return to your seat by the side aisle.

Anthem: Take Up Your Cross (C. W. Everest)

'Take up your cross,' the Saviour said, 'if you would my disciple be; take up your cross with willing heart and humbly follow after me.'

Take up your cross; let not its weight fill your weak spirit with alarm; his strength shall bear your spirit up and brace your heart and nerve your arm.

Take up your cross, nor heed the shame, and let your foolish pride be still: your Lord refused not even to die upon a cross, on Calvary's hill.

Take up your cross, then, in his strength and calmly every danger brave; it guides you to a better home and leads to victory o'er the grave. Take up your cross and follow Christ, nor think till death to lay it down; for only those who bear the cross may hope to wear the glorious crown.

The Sending Out of God's People

Compassionate and loving God, through your Son Jesus Christ you have fed us and have reconciled your people to yourself. Following his example of fasting and prayer, may we obey you with willing hearts and serve one another in holy love.

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Notices

Please stand.

The Blessing and Dismissal

Christ our Saviour draw you to himself, that you may find in him crucified a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the Æblessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ. **★Thanks be to God. Amen.**

At the conclusion of the service please leave by the front door.

Postlude O Mensch, bewein dein Sünde groß BWV 622 (J. S. Bach)

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BLOKES' NIGHT OUT

It's on again - this Wednesday 3 March from 6pm: Blokes' Night Out at the Upper Duck. All blokes welcome. If you would like to join the fray and frivolity, please ring Clive Taylor Mb: 0419 243 114 today, so he can book accordingly.

THURSDAY HOLY EUCHARIST AND LUNCH

A service of Holy Eucharist is held every Thursday in the Lower Hall at 11am. Please register to attend. Following the service, at 11.45am, there will be lunch at Café Jam in Bridgepoint for those who wish to continue a time of informal fellowship. Book with Helen on 9969 6910 or e: <u>office@stlukesmosman.org</u>

SUPPORTING ST. LUKE'S

St Luke's is a vibrant community of faith and offers a spiritual home to many. As we continue to navigate the effects of the pandemic, your offertory plays an essential role in our ongoing work.

I encourage you to consider a weekly offering via Direct Deposit into the Parish's account. This assists us in planning and ministering with certainty. <u>Account Name</u>: St Luke's Church Mosman <u>BSB</u>: 032-291 <u>Account #</u>: 810105

St Luke's has been the beneficiary of incredible generosity through planned giving. Those that have left the parish a Bequest in their Will have allowed us to undertake transformative projects and ensure our parish endures for generations to come. If you are considering remembering St Luke's in your legacy, please speak to your legal advisor or contact the Wardens or myself for a confidential conversation. *The Rector*

BUSH CHURCH AID - MARCH BOX OPENINGS

If you have a BCA box, please bring it to church and hand it to Paula Turner, BCA Mission Contact, so its contents can be counted and forwarded to Bush Church Aid at the end of March. New BCA box collectors are always welcome. Please see Paula after church or call Mb: 0421 151 290.

LENTEN QUIET DAY

The Sydney Mission-College of the Oratory of the Good Shepherd invites you to the annual Quiet Day for Lent this Saturday 6 March 2021 in the Church and grounds of St John's Church, Balmain, in Spring Street, Birchgrove. Please bring your own packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. This is a silent retreat, but as well as Morning and Evening Prayer and a midday Eucharist, two lay Companions of the Sydney Mission-College will give short presentations, based

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on their reading and experience, on the practice of prayer. We gather in the Church at 10 am. The Day ends at 4.15 pm. The event is free of charge. Social distancing and other diocesan protocols will be practised. Register by emailing <u>rhenderson@ogs.net</u> or on arrival at the church door. All welcome.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

St Luke's AGM will be held in the church on Sunday 14 March 2021, directly after our Lent 4 Eucharist. Nomination forms are available in the vestibule. Nominations will close at 5pm on Monday 8 March 2021.

COVID-19 SAFETY PLAN - FEBRUARY 2021

In order for us to continue to comply with the requirements of our COVID-19 Safety Plan as required by the NSW Government, it is necessary to remind you of the following:

- If you are feeling unwell, please don't attend services or the Parish Office.
- Everyone attending the Church or Parish Office must on arrival have their temperature checked, hand sanitise and provide contact tracing details (if not already provided). If you are someone who uses a smartphone, please also utilise the Service NSW QR code to 'check in' as you arrive.
- It continues to be of great assistance if you preregister your intention to attend a service. An Eventbrite link is emailed each week or you can contact Helen in the Parish Office on 9969 6910 or email: office@stlukesmosman.org
- It is <u>highly recommended to wear a facemask</u> in all places of worship, including here on our Parish site.
- You must avoid crowding together and maintain physical distancing of at least 1.5 metres.
- In Church, please only sit on the designated "green square" areas on the pews or on the soft padded seats at the front.
- There is to be no congregational singing or chanting.
- Please disperse quickly at the end of services.

Your assistance in observing these requirements makes it safer for all of us and helps us to comply with State Government regulations. The Rector



Please send any notices for inclusion in the weekly bulletin to the office no later than 4.30pm Tuesday.

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What's On This Week 28/02/2021

Sun 28/02 9am Sung Eucharist Lent 2 *Church*

Mon 01/03 Parish Office Closed

Wed 03/03 6pm Blokes' Night Out Upper Duck

Thu 11/02 11am Holy Eucharist Lower Hall 11.45am Lunch Café Jam

Next Sunday 07/03/2021

9am Sung Eucharist Lent 3 *Church*



St Luke's is a place of rich and diverse liturgy, where life and faith connect. We are a progressive community that welcomes all people regardless of gender, age, race, sexual orientation or religion.